

John G. Allred and Harriet Hartley Allred 1850-1950 Centennial Biography

John Garnett Allred, son of James B. and Kate Jones Allred, was born in Lehi, Utah September 11, 1876.

He married Harriet Hartley in the Salt Lake Temple, February 14, 1900. He had two sons, Paul and Harold, the former having preceded him in death, the latter living with his family in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Though he died in his sixty first year, he lived a very busy and full life, influencing for good thousands whose lives he touched. He was a valiant and able defender of the Church and an indefatigable missionary of more than nine years: 1908-10 Eastern States; 1919-23, Manchester District in Canada; and 1925-29, as president of the newly formed North Central States Mission with headquarters in Minneapolis where his wife presided over the Relief Society of that mission.

He fulfilled many responsible positions in auxiliaries and Priesthood Quorums of the Church, and was an effective leader in gospel doctrines. He was a member of the High Council of the Taylor Stake, Canada, the Liberty and Lehi Stakes in Utah.

He became a pioneer in settling Raymond, Canada, in 1903 where he was a successful farmer and stock raiser for eighteen years of which he was Bishop of the Raymond First Ward.

During his residence in the Capitol Hill Ward, Salt Lake City, he was an officiator in the Salt Lake Temple, and did extensive genealogical research for his ancestors, gathering and compiling more than two thousand names for temple ordinances.

He was known for his terse, effective sermons. John G. Allred was affluent in speech with a logical mind, quick and decisive in judgement, which made him an able defender of the truth. Apostle Charles A. Callis, said at his funeral service that John G. Allred, was one of the greatest crusaders in all the church.

He moved back to Lehi, his native city, in the later part of his life, where he owned a home and a farm which he operated. His kind, jovial natured spirit made him easily approachable and his friends were legion. After a lingering illness, he died in the Latter-day Saints hospital, March 8, 1937.

Harriet Hartley, wife of John G. Allred, was born in England. She emigrated to Utah with her two sisters , Mrs. Isaac Fox of Lehi and Mrs. Harry Pitchforth of Nephi. She possessed rare musical talents and was teacher of the organ and piano in all the wards to which she lived, including the Minneapolis branch of the North Central States mission. She was an entertaining and pleasant conversationalist and was well informed in gospel doctrine. She was very free hearted and entertained and made many happy within her home. She was a woman of outstanding faith. She died October 20, 1934.